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16 November 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, Operations

SUBJECT

: Proposed <u>Caveat</u> on Copyrighted Material Disseminated by Foreign Documents Division

REFERENCES

: (A) Your memo, same subject, dated 18 October 1955

(B) Our memo, same subject, dated 24 October 1955

(C) Meeting in the Office of Legislative Counsel on 7 November 1955

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1. On Monday, 7 November 1955, I met with of your Office, and Mr. Lawrence Houston and Mr. Walter Pforzheimer, of this Office, with regard to the writing of the caveat which would be appropriate to copyrighted material reproduced and disseminated by FDD. Your representatives expressed the opinion that the caveat which we had proposed for this purpose in our memorandum of 24 October 1955 was not completely satisfactory, and asked for our thoughts as to a different wording.

2. After some discussion, it was the consensus that the following language would fulfill the purpose sought:

"Laws relating to copyright and defamation require that the dissemination of this text be restricted to 'Official Use Only'."

It was also felt that where a copyrighted document was translated by FDD, it should contain an appropriate notice of the copyright of the original document. This notice should read

"Copyright, (date of original copyright), by (name of copyright owner)."

The use of the abbreviation Copr. or the symbol Q are also permissible in lieu of the full word "Copyright". The notice of copyright must be placed on the title page of the document or on the back of the title page, in order to comply with the law. It was agreed that the FDD cover sheet should not be considered as a title page, but rather as the cover of a book, as this sheet is generally torn off prior to dissemination outside of the intelligence community. In most instances, therefore, in the absence of a true title-page, the notice of copyright will appear on the first page of the text, directly under the title and author of the document.

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3. Accordingly, we feel that the text for the proposed <u>caveat</u> cited above should be employed in lieu of the one which we suggested in paragraph 7 of our memorandum of 24 October 1955, and that the copyright notice be included on all copyrighted documents as stated above.

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